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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :

Norihiro INAGAKI, et al :

SERIAL NO: NEW APPLICATION :

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FOR: GAS BARRIER FILM HAVING

POLYPROPYLENE AS A BASE FILM AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING

THE SAME

#### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Preliminary to an action on the merits of this case, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

#### **IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel Claims 1-3.

#### **REMARKS**

This is a Divisional Application of Serial No. 09/586,790, filed June 5, 2000, drawn to the non-elected invention therein, in response to the Restriction Requirement of December 29, 2000 in the parent case, traversed in the response of January 19, 2001.

## Claims 4-13 are in the case. An action on their merits and allowance is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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## IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-3 (Cancelled)